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FOUR MEN INDICTED FOR METH TRAFFICKING

PRESS RELEASE

Indianapolis - Jesus Gomez, Ruben Olivares, Carlos Tachiquin, and Juan Carlos Sibaja, all citizens of Mexico, were indicted yesterday by a federal grand jury sitting in Indianapolis with conspiracy to possess with the intent to distribute and to distribute 500 grams or more of methamphetamine. Gomez was also charged with two counts of distribution of methamphetamine. The charge follows an investigation by the Drug Enforcement Administration and the Indianapolis Metro Drug Task Force.

Gomez, Olivares, Tachiquin and Sibaja were arrested on February 9, 2010 in Marion County by law enforcement officers while distributing methamphetamine on east side of Indianapolis.

According to Assistant U.S. Attorney Josh J. Minkler, who is prosecuting the case for the government, Gomez, Olivares, Tachiquin, and Sibaja each face a maximum of life imprisonment and a \$4,000,000 fine. Gomez also faces a maximum of 20 years in prison and a \$1,000,000 fine for each count of distribution of methamphetamine. An initial hearing will be scheduled for in the near future before a U.S. Magistrate Judge.

An indictment is only a charge and is not evidence of guilt. A defendant is presumed innocent and is entitled to a fair trial at which the government must prove guilt beyond a reasonable doubt.

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